

**Town of Charleston  
Selectboard Meeting 4/28/16**

MINUTES

A meeting of the town Selectboard was held April 28, 2016. Attending: Selectboard members Dean Bennett, Larry Young, and Meghann Carter; Clerk Colleen Kellogg; Road Foreman Bernie Pepin; Solar Subcommittee Members Tom Jensen and Diana Marckwardt; and Cory Spaulding of VASA.

THESE MINUTES ARE UNOFFICIAL UNTIL APPROVED AT THE NEXT MEETING

Meeting called to order at 7:00pm.

Motion by Ms. Carter to approve minutes of the April 14, 2016 meeting as written, seconded by Mr. Bennett and approved.

Cory Spaulding of Vermont All-Terrain Vehicle Sportsman's Association (VASA) is working with Derby on ATV use in the Town Forest and finds that trails go to Brownington and Charleston. VASA can help regulate use and eliminate problems in towns where they have trails. Scampy's is a destination. If Charleston would like to encourage that, VASA can post the route with speed limits and get state police enforcement. Mr. Bennett noted that the town has policy prohibiting ATVs on roads and trails. Mr. Young noted that the town is preparing to have an academy-trained Constable who will be able to enforce this.

Tom Jensen, Chair of the Subcommittee on Solar Options reports the town will apply for a Northern Borders Regional Commission grant to support the town solar array. In our county, applicants can receive up to 80% of the total project, so we will apply for \$230,000. Will aim to have a completed application to be signed at the May 12<sup>th</sup> Meeting. A site visit to the gravel pit was scheduled for Tuesday May 3rd at 11:00 am.

District 9 AOT office provided an estimate to pave aprons of Bly, Smith Farm, and Willis Rds. As this expense was not provided for in the budget, Mr. Bennett moved to take no action, seconded by Ms. Carter and approved.

Mr. Bennett reports that repair of a crack in the Durgin Rd bridge is more complicated than originally thought and the best price so far is \$5,000. He will keep looking.

**FOREMAN'S REPORT**

The crew is working on ditching, hauling gravel, and catching up on grading every day the weather is good. Information about the dump truck for sale was posted on Vermont Local Roads.

Bills and orders were approved for payment.

Meeting adjourned at 7:36 pm. The next Selectboard meeting is May 12, 2016 at 7:00 pm.

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Selectboard, Town of Charleston